

# ***AGENDA MINUTES***

**Tuesday, March 6, 2012**

**Legislative Day No. 5**

## **COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND**

### **AGENDA BRIEFING – (ROOM 2027) -- BRIEFING HELD**

**CALL TO ORDER** – *Council Chair Harrison called to order at 10:11 a.m. with the following Council Members present:*

*Andrea Harrison  
Will Campos (arrived at 10:31 a.m.)  
Derrick Davis  
Mel Franklin  
Mary Lehman  
Eric Olson  
Obie Patterson  
Karen Toles  
Ingrid Turner (out on county business)*

*Other present:*

*Robert Williams, Jr., Council Administrator  
William Hunt, Deputy Council Administrator  
Redis Floyd, Clerk of the Council  
Donna Brown, Deputy Clerk of the Council  
Joseph R. Hamlin, Office of Law  
Todd Turner, Legislative Officer  
Hawi Sanu, the Director of the Transportation, Housing and the Environment  
Committee (THE)*

**INVOCATION** – *The Invocation was provided by Reverend David Abercrombie, Calvary Baptist Church, Upper Marlboro, Maryland*

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – *The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Davis.*

1. **CONSENT AGENDA -- ADOPTED AND ALL ACTIONS APPROVED**

All items listed under the consent agenda have been distributed to each member of the Council for review, are considered to be routine and will be acted upon by motion in the form listed. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the consent agenda and considered separately.

- (a) Approval of County Council Minutes dated August 2 and September 13, 2011.

**APPROVED**

- (b) **First Reading of Bills (Presentation)**

**CB-12-2012 – AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT OVERLAY ZONE** for the purpose of amending the regulations concerning uses in a Development District Overlay Zone. **PRESENTED**

*Council Bill 12 was presented by Council Member Olson and referred to the Planning Zoning and Economic Development Committee (PZED).*

- (c) **Introduction of Resolutions**

**CR-9-2012 - A RESOLUTION CONCERNING STATE OF MARYLAND SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY DESIGNATION** for the purpose of approving the designation of a portion of Prince George's County as a Sustainable Community by the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development ("DHCD"). **INTRODUCED**

The Chair (by request – County Executive); referral to THE

Introduced by Council Members Harrison and Lehman

*Council Resolution 9, as proposed by the Chair by request of the County Executive, approves the designation of a portion of Prince George's County as a Sustainable Community by the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development ("DHCD"). Council Resolution 9 was introduced by Council Members Harrison and Lehman and referred to the Transportation Housing and the Environment Committee (THE).*

*\*\*Council Member Olson moved to adopt the Consent Agenda; seconded by Council member Toles. The motion carried by voice vote (Absent: Council Members Campos and Turner).*

2. **CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA**

*No items were considered.*

3. **PROPOSED CORRESPONDENCE/ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT**

- (a) Proposed correspondence to the Honorable Douglas J.J. Peters, Chair of the Prince George's County Senate Delegation, the Honorable Melony G. Griffith, Chair of the Prince George's County House Delegation, the Honorable Maggie L. McIntosh, Chair, House Environmental Matters Committee, and the Honorable Brian E. Frosh, Chair, Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee, expressing the positions of the Prince George's County Council on proposed State legislation. **AMENDED;**  
**CHAIR AUTHORIZED TO SIGN**

*Correspondence was proposed to be sent to the Honorable Douglas J.J. Peters, Chair of the Prince George's County Senate Delegation, the Honorable Melony G. Griffith, Chair of the Prince George's County House Delegation, the Honorable Maggie L. McIntosh, Chair, House Environmental Matters Committee, and the Honorable Brian E. Frosh, Chair, Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee, expressing the positions of the Prince George's County Council on proposed State legislation. Council Member Toles, as Chair of Rules and General Assembly Committee, provided a verbal report of the actions and recommendations from the Committee to the Council. Council Member Davis moved to amend the Council's position on HB900PG/MC 109/12 to reflect a position of "NO POSITION"; seconded by Council Member Franklin. The motion carried 6-1 (Opposed: Council Member Lehman Absent Council Members Campos and Turner). Council Member Franklin moved to authorize the Chair's signature on the letter as amended; seconded by Council Member Toles. The motion carried 7-0 (Absent Council Members Campos and Turner).*

- (b) Proposed correspondence to the Honorable Rushern L. Baker, III expressing the Council's concurrence with the Blue Plains Intermunicipal Agreement (IMA) of 2012. **CHAIR AUTHORIZED TO SIGN**

*Correspondence was proposed to be sent to the Honorable Rushern L. Baker, III expressing the Council's concurrence with the Blue Plains Intermunicipal Agreement (IMA) of 2012. Council Member Patterson moved to authorize the Chair's signature; seconded by Council Member Olson. The motion carried 7-0 (Absent: Council Members Campos and Turner).*

4. **SECOND READING OF BILLS – (INTRODUCTION)**

**CB-6-2012 – AN ACT CONCERNING AGRICULTURAL INDUSTRY** for the purpose of amending and adding to the right to farm provision and generally regarding agriculture. **INTRODUCED**

*Council Member Lehman, as Chair of The Transportation Housing and the Environment Committee (THE), provided a verbal report of the actions and recommendations of the Committee. Council Bill 6, which amends and adds to the right to farm provision and generally regarding agriculture was favorably reported out of THE on February 23, 2012. Council Bill 6 was introduced by Council Members Franklin and Lehman.*

**CB-7-2012 (DR-2) - AN ACT CONCERNING AGRICULTURAL RESOURCES PRESERVATION** for the purpose of revising the composition of the Agricultural Resources Advisory Committee; establishing the Agricultural Reconciliation Subcommittee; providing for the powers, duties, composition, term, officers, meetings and annual report of the Agricultural Reconciliation Subcommittee; and generally relating to agriculture preservation. **INTRODUCED**

*Council Member Lehman, as Chair of The Transportation Housing and the Environment Committee (THE), provided a verbal report of the actions and recommendations of the Committee. Council Bill 7, which revises the composition of the Agricultural Resources Advisory Committee; establishes the Agricultural Reconciliation Subcommittee; provides for the powers, duties, composition, term, officers, meetings and annual report of the Agricultural Reconciliation Subcommittee; and generally relates to agriculture preservation was favorably reported out of THE on February 23, 2012 with amendments. Council Bill 7Draft 2 was introduced by Council Members Franklin, Lehman and Harrison.*

**RECESSED** – Council Chair Harrison recessed the meeting at 10:24 a.m.

7. **BRIEFING – (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM) – BRIEFING HELD**

**OCCUPATIONAL SHIFTS AND WORKFORCE CHARACTERISTIC STUDY FINDINGS**

- ◇ Mitch Horowitz, Vice President & Managing Director  
Battelle Technology Partnership Practice
- ◇ Richard Clinch, Director of Economic Research  
The Jacob French Institute, University of Baltimore

Accompanied by the following M-NCPPC Prince George's County Planning Department Staff:

Derick Berlage, Chief, Countywide Planning Division

Jackie Philson, Supervisor, Research Section, Countywide Planning Division

Gül Güleriyüz, Planner Coordinator, Special Studies Section, Countywide Planning Division

*Chair Harrison concluded the briefing at 10:30 a.m.*

*Mr. Derick Berlage, Chief, Countywide Planning Division, MNCPPC provided introductory comments to noting that the briefing is meant to analyze the County's workforce shifts in order to assist the Council in developing a policy to further improve the County's economy partners facilitated a Power Point presentation on the study findings and responded to questions posed by Council. (See Administrative Day File for detailed Clerk's Notes).*

**REQUESTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL**

*Jacques Chevalier addressed the Council in support of the casino at National Harbor. He also provided comments regarding Council Member fringe benefits.*

**ADJOURNED** – *Council Chair Harrison adjourned the meeting at 11:44 a.m.*

Prepared by:

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Sherry Bias, Administrative Aide

Submitted by:

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Redis C. Floyd, Clerk of the Council